Sri R. ANANTARAMAN.—Sir, is it not obligatory on the part of the Government to build houses for their abourers according to the Act ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—Not on the part of the Government. There is no obligation as such.

Sri R. ANANTARAMAN.—Are not the Government standing in the same position as capitalists in running factories ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—No, Sir.

Sri R. ANANTARAMAN.—Are you aware that it has been urged by the employees of the Government Electric Factory that some houses would have to be built for them and the Government have agreed ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—If they have made representations in the matter, the Government is very sympathetically considering the matter.

Sri R. ANANTARAMAN.—Are you aware that houses are available in Rajaji Nagar and that some of them may be given to these employees ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—That may be considered.

Sri K. S. VASAN.—Are not the Government, like other Industrial Managements, obliged to provide housing facilities to their workers ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—Government are doing everything in the matter.

Petitions under Article 226 of the Constitution.

Q.—320. Sri M. V. RAMA RAO (Tumkur).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the number of petitions under Article 226 of the Constitution filed before the High Court of Mysore in which Government was made a respondent since 1st April 1952 ;

(*b*) the number of such petitions in which a writ or other appropriate direction has been issued against the Government ?

A.—Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO (Minister for Law and Education).—

(*a*) 162.

(*b*) 15.

Sri M. V. RAMA RAO.—May I know, Sir, in respect of these 15 cases in which a writ has been issued, whether Government has gone up in appeal to the Supreme Court in any case ?

*Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—No, Sir.

Sri M. V. RAMA RAO.—May I know, whether the direction or writ that has been issued in these 15 cases has been conformed to in every case ?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—Yes, so far as I know, it has been conformed to.

Sri M. V. RAMA RAO.—Are there any cases in which it is still receiving consideration of the Government or is the Hon'ble Minister quite certain that the directions have been conformed to?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—So far as it has come to our notice, it has been scrupulously respected.

Sri M. V. RAMA RAO.—Is the Hon'ble Minister sure that every case that has been decided in the High Court has come to the notice of the concerned Minister or the Government?

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO.—Yes.

Scheduled Castes (Delay in construction of Hostel for Students).

Q.—323. Sri P. M. SWAMIDURAI (Kolar Gold Fields—Scheduled Castes).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the amount that has been sanctioned by the University for the construction of University Hostel for the Scheduled Castes University students at Bangalore and year in which the amount was sanctioned?

(*b*) what are the reasons for delaying the construction of the Hostel?

A.—Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO (Minister for Law and Education).—

(*a*) No amount was sanctioned.

(*b*) Does not arise.